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PRIORITY CLAIM: NOVEMBER 25, 2002

TITLE: CURTAIN SYSTEM COMPRISING SEVERAL FLAT PANELS

PETITION TO REVIVE ABANDONED APPLICATION
UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents to revive the above-

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I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service "Express Mail - Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Hon. Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.


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December 19, 2005
Date

identified patent application, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b), on the ground that such application was unintentionally abandoned (*i.e.*, the entire period of delay in meeting the outstanding requirements due by the 30th-month following Applicant's priority claim for eventual entry into the U.S. National Phase of the above-identified P.C.T. application was unintentional), as a result of an unintentional delay caused by an unintentional docketing error by the undersigned attorney's Swiss patent associate in advising the undersigned to enter the U.S. National Phase.

The above-identified P.C.T. international application, designating the United States, was filed on November 19, 2003, and validly claimed foreign priority on the basis of a patent application filed in Switzerland on November 25, 2002.

The above-identified P.C.T. international application was, therefore, due for entry into the U.S. National Phase, thirty (30) months from the claimed priority date, or by May 25, 2005. Thus, the above-identified patent application went "abandoned" after May 25, 2005, when the U.S. National Fee was not paid for entry into the U.S. National Phase.

In support of this Petition to Revive, the undersigned attorney-of-record hereby states that Applicant is entitled to claim Small Entity status and Applicant hereby submits:

1. The Petition to Revive fee of \$750.00 (small entity) is enclosed.
2. A proposed response to the outstanding requirement is enclosed, as follows:

- (a) Copy of P.C.T. Application No. PCT/CH2003/000764, with International Search Report prepared by the European Patent Office;
- (b) A check in the amount of \$1,265.00 is enclosed to cover the following fees:
- (i) Petition Fee of \$750.00 (small entity) for the Petition to Revive on the ground of unintentional delay in entering the U.S. National Phase;
 - (ii) Basic National Stage Fee of \$150.00 (small entity);
 - (iii) National Stage Search Fee of \$200.00 (small entity; a copy of the ISA/EP International Search Report being enclosed;
 - (iv) National Stage Examination Fee of \$100.00 (small entity); and,
 - (v) Surcharge of \$65.00 (small entity) for the eventual submission of a Declaration executed by Applicant more than 30 months after the claimed priority deadline;
- (c) Literal English Translation of P.C.T. Application No. PCT/CH2004/000764;
- (d) Preliminary Amendment; and,
- (e) International Preliminary Examination Report.

A Declaration executed by Applicant will be filed in due course, along with an Information Disclosure Statement.

With the concurrent submission of the foregoing documents and the foregoing fees, Applicant respectfully submits that all outstanding requirements for meeting the statutory 30th-month deadline, which expired after May 25, 2005, have now been satisfied.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account of Applicant's Attorney, Account No. 19-0450, for any additional fees which may be due in connection with the prosecution of the above-identified patent application, but which have not otherwise been provided for.

A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed for billing purposes.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that all outstanding requirements for meeting the statutory 30th-month deadline for eventual entry of the above-identified P.C.T. international application into the U.S. National Phase, are now satisfied.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein on my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this petition is directed.

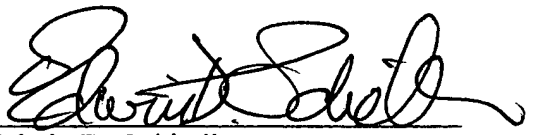
It is, therefore, respectfully submitted that the above-identified patent application should be held as being "unintentionally" abandoned, i.e., that the entire period of delay in meeting the requirements due by the 30th-month deadline for eventual entry of the above-identified P.C.T. international application into the U.S. National Phase was unintentional, for the reasons specified herein, and revived under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b),

and that prosecution of the above-identified P.C.T. international application should be resumed and accepted into the U.S. National Phase for an eventual national patentability examination.

Such favorable action is respectfully requested and earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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